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As the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) is preparing to place offenders at the Saguaro Correctional Center located in Elroy, Arizona, this information is provided for those who are being transferred and their family members.

In the selection process, the KDOC has sought to assign offenders who will be successful and most likely to benefit from the programmatic opportunities available at that facility.

The screening process identified those offenders who meet the following criteria:

- Are at least 24 months away from until release
- Have a low frequency of visitation
- Have a need for educational/vocational programming (preferred)
- · Are medically able

Being selected for placement as Saguaro is not permanent. The welfare of all offenders is extremely important and, as part of their placement, our staff will continue to oversee program involvement and progress. Telephone access to each offender's personally approved numbers, as well as those approved visitors on the offender's visitation list, will remain unchanged. Saguaro Correctional Center will provide for video visitation as currently offered in Kansas as well as regular visitation for approved visitors who may be able to arrange for visitation.

Every effort to align allowable personal property will be made to enable an offender to retain his personal items. However, in the event a property item is not allowed, the item will be safely stored for the offender at the Kansas facility where he currently resides. If an offender is not able to transfer all his consumable items, an accurate listing of those items will be created in order to provide reimbursement.

Inmate cash accounts will be transferred in advance to be available upon arrival. Saguaro Correctional Center offers commissary services that will be explained during an education and orientation session upon arrival.

KDOC staff will have unhindered access to the facility for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are appropriate and up to Kansas standards. Additionally, KDOC officials will visit and inspect the facility frequently which will provide offenders an opportunity to discuss any concerns in person.

We will review and seek to resolve any concerns you have. However, changing the transfer status of an offender will only be reserved for the most difficult circumstances not already reviewed during the screening process.

Concerns or questions can be directed to the Kansas Department of Corrections Central Office attention:

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Thank you.

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